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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PGVOV, MOPS, WB, UK, GE

SUBJECT: BRITISH PATROL INCIDENT

REF: BERLIN 10

1. AT 1230 LOCAL JANUARY 18, BRITISH EAST BERLIN PATROL APPROACHED KARLSHORST TANK PARK (WHERE SHOOTING INCIDENT REPORTED REFTEL TOOK PLACE) ALONG GRAVEL TRACK. UPON REACHING BARRIER BLOCKING PUBLIC FROM INSTALLATION, VEHICLE TURNED AROUND AND AS IT DID SO, SOVIET SENTRY, WHO HAD APPARENTLY NOT NOTICED PATROL PREVIOUSLY, FIRED ONE SHOT, WHICH BRITISH BELIEVE IMPACTED SEVERAL YARDS TO LEFT OF THEIR VEHICLE. BRITISH HAVE OBSERVED NO SIGNS BARRING ACCESS TO ROAD, WHICH IS USED BY LOCAL POPULACE TO REACH HOUSING AREA. PATROLS HAD ENTERED AREA UNEVENTFULLY BETWEEN JANUARY 2 AND JANUARY 18 INCIDENTS.

2. BRITISH PROTOCOL OFFICER PROTESTED INCIDENT AT SOVIET EMBASSY SAME AFTERNOON. IRONICALLY, BELETSKIY
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HAD TOLD BRITISH POLAD DAY BEFORE THAT HE HAD INVESTIGATED JANUARY 2 INCIDENT BUT HAD BEEN UNABLE

TO TRACE ANY REPORT OF SHOT BEING FIRED.

3. USCOB CONCURS. BORG

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